

Q12.

A sample of  ${}^{13}_7\text{N}$  ( $t_{1/2} = 10 \text{ mins}$ ) contains  $6.90 \times 10^{16}$  atoms of N-13.

a) calculate its decay constant.

$$\lambda = \frac{0.693}{10 \times 60} = 1.155 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

b) state its initial activity.

$$\begin{aligned} A_0 &= \lambda N \\ A_0 &= (1.155 \times 10^{-3}) \times (6.90 \times 10^{16}) \\ &= 7.97 \times 10^{13} \quad (8 \times 10^{13} \text{ Bq}). \end{aligned}$$

c) state activity after 1 hour.

(1)

$$\begin{aligned} A &= A_0 e^{-\lambda t} \\ &= (8 \times 10^{13}) \end{aligned}$$

$$n = \frac{\text{time taken}}{\text{half life}}$$

$$n = \frac{60 \text{ mins}}{10 \text{ mins}}$$

$$n = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= A_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \\ &= 8 \times 10^{13} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 \end{aligned}$$

$$A = 1.25 \times 10^{12} \text{ Bq}.$$

ii) 6 hours.

$$n = \frac{\text{time taken}}{\text{half life}} = \frac{6 \times 60}{10} = \frac{360}{10} = 36$$

$$A = A_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

$$A = 8 \times 10^{13} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{36}$$

$$A = 1164.15 \text{ Bq.}$$

iii) state after how long will its activity be 1 Bq.

$$A_0 = 8 \times 10^{13} \text{ Bq}$$

$$A = 1 \text{ Bq}$$

$$t_{\frac{1}{2}} = 10 \text{ mins}$$

$$A = A_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

$$\frac{A}{A_0} = \frac{1}{2}^n$$

$$\log \frac{A}{A_0} = n \log \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{\log 1.25 \times 10^{-14}}{\log \frac{1}{2}} = n = \frac{-13.903}{-0.301}$$

$$n = 46.189$$

$$\text{time taken} = n \times t_{\frac{1}{2}}$$

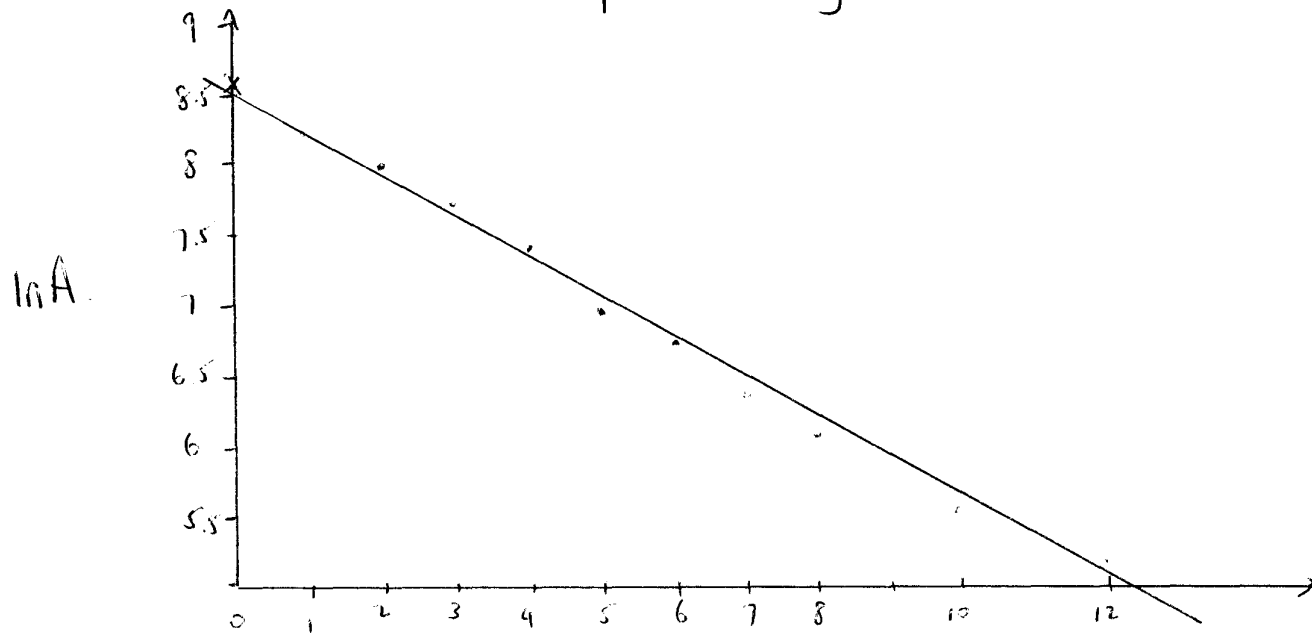
$$= 46.189 \times 10 \text{ mins} = 461.89 \text{ mins}$$

$$\text{or } 7.698 \text{ hrs.}$$

Q13 P-32 emits  ${}_{11}^{0}\text{e}$  (positrons)

$t$ (mins)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	10	12
$A$ (Bq)	5000	3840	2915	2220	1723	1293	977	745	617	361	209
$\ln A$	8.52	7.25	7.98	7.71	7.45	7.16	6.88	6.61	6.42	5.89	5.34

positron emitting P-32.



$$-\lambda = \frac{\ln A - \ln A_0}{t} = \frac{5.34 - 8.52}{12} = \frac{-3.18}{12} = -0.265$$

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{\lambda} = \frac{0.693}{0.265} = 2.615 \text{ mins.}$$

Q14.

t	A	ln A
0	88	4.48
30	78	4.36
60	69	4.23
90	61	4.11
120	52	3.95

b) Determine  $\lambda$

$$-\text{slope} = \frac{\ln A - \ln A_0}{t}$$

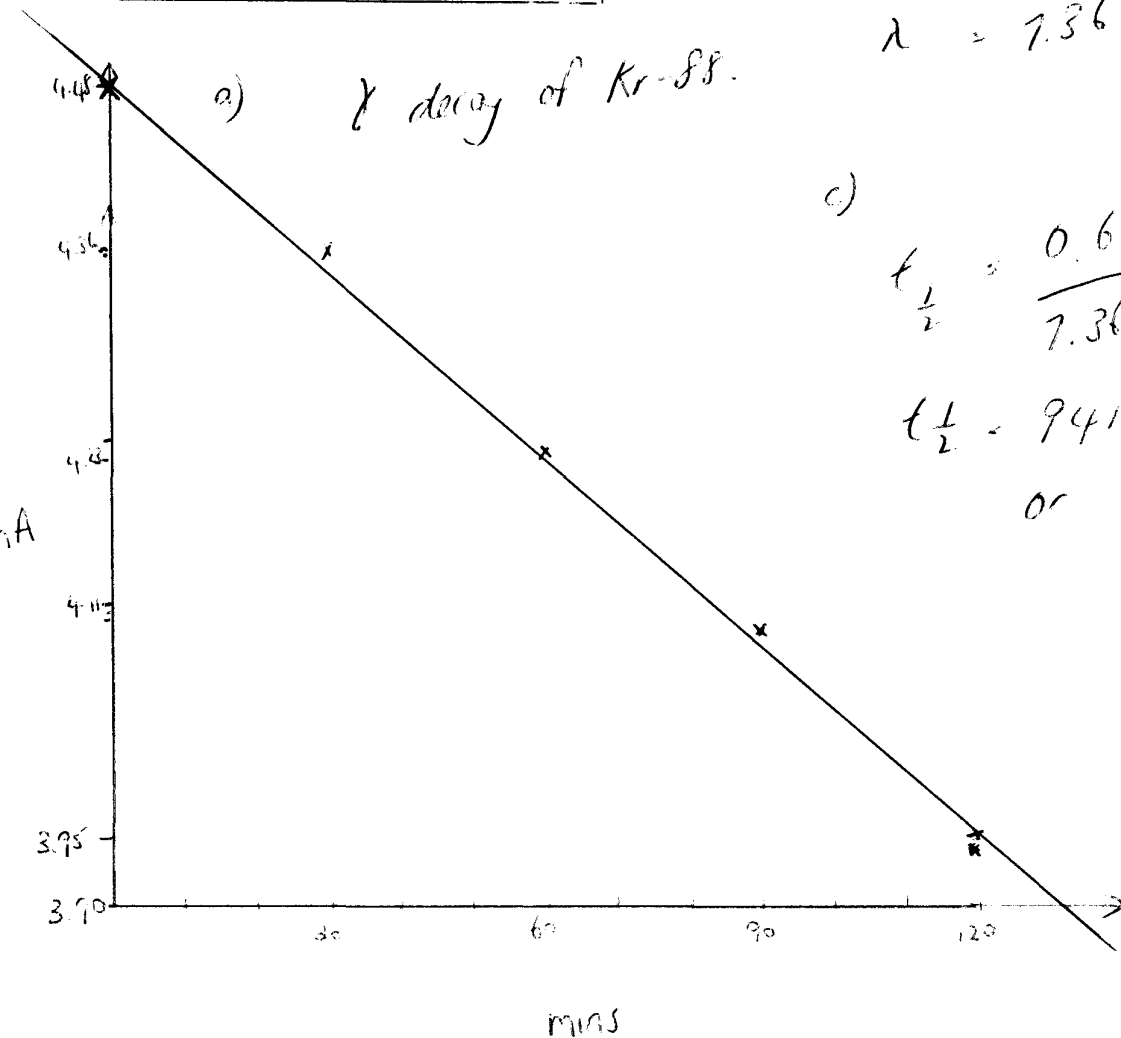
$$= \frac{3.95 - 4.48}{120}$$

$$= -\frac{0.53}{120 \times 60}$$

$$-\text{slope} = -7.36 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\lambda = 7.36 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

a)  $\gamma$  decay of Kr-88.



c)

$$t_{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{0.693}{7.36 \times 10^{-5}}$$

$$t_{\frac{1}{2}} = 9415.76 \text{ s}$$

or 156.93 min.

Q15.

C-14 - How old is the wood?

$$N_0 = 100\%$$

$$N = 25\%$$

$$t_{\frac{1}{2}} = 5730 \text{ years}$$

$$N = N_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

$$\frac{25}{100} = \frac{1}{2}^n$$

$$\log 0.25 = n \log \frac{1}{2}$$

$$n = \frac{\log 0.25}{\log 0.5}$$

$$n = 2.$$

$$\text{total time} = n \times t_{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= 2 \times 5730 = 11460 \text{ years}$$

Q16  $N = N_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$

a) C-14 at 92%

$$N_0 = 100\%$$

$$N = 92$$

$$n = ?$$

$$t_{\frac{1}{2}} = 5730 \text{ years}$$

$$N = N_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

$$\frac{92}{100} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

$$\log 0.92 = n \log \frac{1}{2}$$

$$n = \frac{\log 0.92}{\log 0.5}$$

$$n = 0.12$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{total time} &= n \times t_{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= 689.29 \text{ years} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2008 \\ - 689.29 \\ \hline 1318.71 \end{array}$$

A.D.

this is controversial as the shroud is noted as being 32 A.D. (bit of history for you)

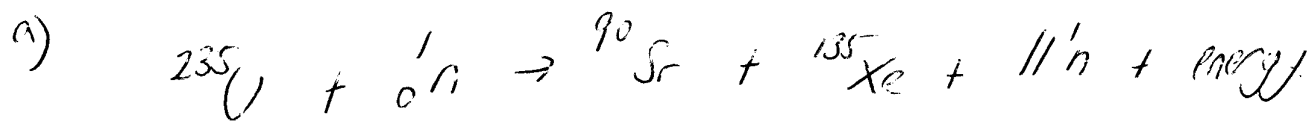
Q16.

c)  $t_{\frac{1}{2}} = 5730 \text{ years}$

$$n = \frac{\text{total time}}{t_{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{2008-32}{5730} = \frac{1976}{5730} = 0.34485$$

$$\begin{aligned} N &= N_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \\ &= 100 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{0.34485} \\ &= 78.74\% \end{aligned}$$

Q17. Calculate the energy released in J/fission.



$$M_r \left\{ \begin{array}{l} {}^{235}_{92}\text{U} = 235.04394 \text{ u} \\ {}^1_0\text{n} = 1.008665 \text{ u} \\ m_r = 236.05261 \text{ u} \end{array} \right. \quad m_p \left\{ \begin{array}{l} {}^{135}_{54}\text{Xe} = 134.91350 \\ {}^{90}_{38}\text{Sr} = 87.90715 \\ 11 {}^1_0\text{n} = 11 \times 1.008665 \\ m_p = 235.916565 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{mass defect} = \Delta m = m_p - m_r \\ = 0.136045 \text{ u}$$

Note  $1 \text{ u} = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$

$$\therefore \Delta m \times 1 \text{ u of mass in kg} = 2.258 \times 10^{-28} \text{ kg}$$

$$E = mc^2 \\ = 2.258 \times 10^{-28} \times (3 \times 10^8)^2 \\ = 2.0322 \times 10^{-11} \text{ J / fission.}$$



b) J/kg.

Mass of one  $^{235}\text{U}$  atom is  $235.04394 \text{ u}$   
 $1.66 \times 10^{-27} \times$

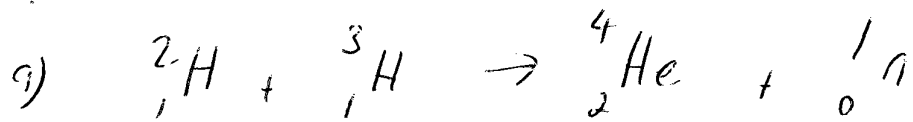
$$= 3.902 \times 10^{-25} \text{ kg}$$

Energy released by 1 kg of fission =

$$2.0322 \times 10^{11} \text{ J} \times \frac{1 \text{ kg}}{3.902 \times 10^{-25}} = \text{--- J/kg}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5.208 \times 10^{13} \text{ J/kg.}$$

Q18.



mass of reactants

$${}^2\text{H} = 2.014102$$

$${}^3\text{H} = 3.016050$$

$$m_r = 5.030152$$

mass of products

$${}^4\text{He} = 4.002603$$

$${}^1\text{n} = 1.008665$$

$$m_p = 5.011268$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mass defect} &= m_p - m_r \\ &= -0.018884 \text{ u} \end{aligned}$$

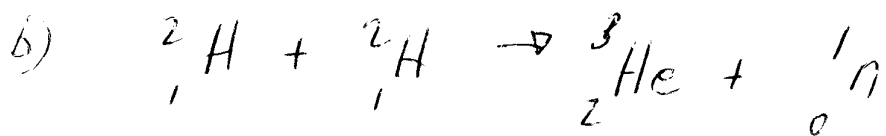
$$1 \text{ u} = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

$$\therefore m = -3.134744 \times 10^{-29} \text{ kg}$$

$$E = mc^2 \quad \times (3 \times 10^8)^2$$

$$= -2.82 \times 10^{-12} \text{ J / fusion reaction}$$

Q18



$$m_r = \text{mass of } 2 \times {}^2_1\text{H} = 2 \times 2.014102 = 4.028204$$

$$m_p = 3.016030 + 1.008665 = 4.024695$$

$$\Delta m = m_p - m_r = -3.509 \times 10^{-3} \text{ u}$$

$$\text{note } 1 \text{ u} = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ Kg}$$

$$\Delta m = -5.82494 \times 10^{-30}$$

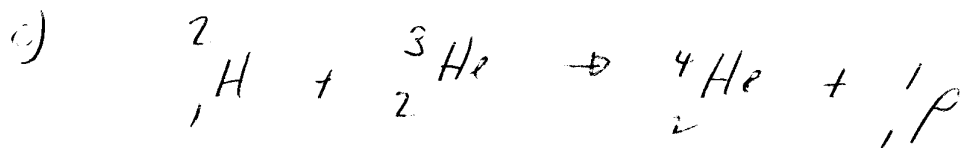
$$E = mc^2$$

↓

$$\times (3 \times 10^8)^2$$

$$= -5.242 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J / fusion reaction}$$

Q18



$$m_r = 2.014102 + 3.016030 = 5.030132 \text{ u.}$$

$$m_p = 4.002603 + 1.007276 = 5.009879.$$

$$\Delta m = m_p - m_r = -0.020253 \text{ u.}$$

$$\text{note } 1 \text{ u} = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ Kg.}$$

$$m = -3.361798 \times 10^{-29} \text{ Kg.}$$

$$E = mc^2$$

$$= \quad \times (3 \times 10^8)^2$$

$$= -3.02 \times 10^{-12} \text{ J/fusion}$$

(c) is the highest energy level.